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SUBJECT: VISA RECIPROCITY: ENTRY AND EXIT FOR DIPLOMATS

REF: A) MOSCOW 7604, B) MOSCOW 6834, C) MOSCOW 6815

D) LENINGRAD 796

1. DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN CLEARING PROPOSAL TO EXPAND LIST OF AUTHORIZED ENTRY POINTS FOR SOVIETS IN RESPONSE FOR RECIPROCAL SOVIET EXPANSION OF ENTRY AND EXIT POINTS FOR SOME TIME. REGRETTABLY THIS PROCESS WAS OVERTAKEN BY SOVIET CRACKDOWN ON OUR REQUESTS FOR ENTRY/EXIT AT BREST. WHILE WE AGREE THAT IT IS NOT DESIRABLE TO APPEAR TO BE CAVING IN UNDER SOVIET PRESSURE WE FEEL THAT ON BALANCE IT IS PREFERABLE TO OFFER THE SOVIETS OUR PACKAGE PROPOSAL AT THIS POINT RATHER THAN GETTING INTO PROTRACTED HASSLE ABOUT EXISTING ARRANGEMENTS.

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2. ACCORDINGLY, EMBASSY SHOULD APPROACH MFA WITH

PROPOSAL FOR RECIPROCAL EXPANSION OF NUMBER OF ENTRY/
EXIT POINTS ROUTINELY INSCRIBED IN VISAS OF EMBASSY
AND CONGEN PERMANENT AND TDY PERSONNEL AND THEIR FAMILIES.

3. WE ARE PREPARED TO OFFER SOVIETS ENTRY AT:

- A) NEW YORK CITY
- B) WASHINGTON, D. C. (DULLES AIRPORT)
- C) ROUSES POINT, N. Y.
- D) SAN FRANCISCO
- E) LAREDO, TEXAS
- F) ANCHORAGE
- G) BOSTON
- H) BUFFALO
- I) CHICAGO
- J) GALVESTON, TEXAS

IN EXCHANGE FOR ROUTINE ENTRY/EXIT AT:

- A) MOSCOW
- B) LENINGRAD
- C) VYBORG
- D) BREST
- E) NAHODKA
- F) TASHKENT
- G) CHOP
- H) UNGENY
- I) ODESSA
- J) TALLINN

4. FYI; DEPARTMENT WOULD BE WILLING TO CONSIDER
MODIFICATIONS OF THESE LISTS SHOULD THE SOVIETS MAKE
ALTERNATE PROPOSAL.

5. EMBASSY SHOULD ALSO CONTACT MFA AT APPROPRIATE LEVEL
TO REQUEST CONTINUATION OF PAST PRACTICE PENDING
SATISFACTORY AMENDMENT OR BROADENING OF AGREEMENT. KISSINGER

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